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The Permanent Representative of Haiti to the United Nations presents his compliments to the President of the Security Council and has the honour to transmit to him herewith the reactions of the Government of the Republic of Haiti to his statement of 24 April 1995:

(a) The Government of the Republic of Haiti is deeply committed to peace and stability in the country;

(b) The Haitian people have long aspired to live in a climate of peace and stability. They have demonstrated and are still demonstrating their spirit of cooperation with the troops of the United Nations Mission in Haiti (UNMIH) in order to establish such a climate, which alone can promote the economic and social development that is so sought after;

(c) The Government has long been committed to organizing free, democratic and honest elections. It has taken steps to guarantee maximum participation on the part of the electorate and to involve all parties in the electoral process. It listens to the views of the people and the political parties in order to make adjustments, as necessary, for enhancing the credibility of the elections at both the local and the international level;

(d) The Haitian Government has sought the cooperation of all bodies capable of contributing to the complete success of the elections. It calls upon the observers of different countries and organizations to join it in its efforts to ensure transparency;

(e) The Haitian Government is counting on the success of these elections in order to make the process of restoring democracy begun on 15 October 1994 with the return of President Jean-Bertrand Aristide irreversible. It is highly imbued with a sense of its historic responsibilities and is therefore taking initiatives which should leave no doubt as to either its intentions or its actions. The dates for holding the elections will be in accordance with the timetable as planned.

The Permanent Representative of Haiti to the United Nations would be grateful to the President of the Security Council if he would arrange to have this text distributed as a document of the Security Council.